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1 bonds authorized in this section.

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3 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Regional water projects -- conditions of loans.** (1) The regional water
4 projects to be funded with proceeds of the bonds authorized in [section 1] are projects for the construction,
5 expansion, or improvement of regional water systems eligible to receive funding under 90-6-715 to the extent
6 determined by the department of natural resources and conservation.

7 (2) Disbursement of proceeds of the bonds is authorized in [section 1] to pay construction expenses for
8 an eligible regional water project subject to the following conditions, which must be met by the regional water
9 authority or other governmental entity owning the regional water system:

10 (a) approval of a scope of work and budget for the project by the department of natural resources and
11 conservation. Reductions in a scope of work or budget may not affect priority activities or improvements.

12 (b) documented commitment of other funds required for project completion.

13 (c) projects must be awarded through competitive bidding
14 as provided in 18-2-304

15 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Creation of state debt -- appropriation of coal severance tax -- bonding**
16 **provisions.** (1) Because [section 1] authorizes the creation of a state debt, a vote of two-thirds of the members
17 of each house is required for enactment of [section 1].

18 (2) The legislature, through the enactment of [sections 1 through 3] by a vote of three-fourths of the
19 members of each house of the legislature, as required by Article IX, section 5, of the Montana constitution,
20 pledges, dedicates, and appropriates from the coal severance tax bond fund all money necessary for the payment
21 of principal and interest not otherwise provided for on the coal severance tax bonds authorized by [section 1] to
22 be issued pursuant to Title 17, chapter 5, part 7, and pursuant to the provisions of [sections 1 through 3] and the
23 general resolution for this bond program that has been adopted by the board of examiners under the authority
24 provided in Title 17, chapter 5, part 7.

25 **NEW SECTION. Section 4. Three-fourths vote required.** Because [section 1] appropriates money
26 from the coal severance tax trust fund, Article IX, section 5, of the Montana constitution requires a vote of
27 three-fourths of the members of each house of the legislature for passage.

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29 **NEW SECTION. Section 5. Notification to tribal governments.** The secretary of state shall send a
30 copy of [this act] to each tribal government located on the seven Montana reservations and to the Little Shell